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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, February 4, 2003

PETITION OF

CASE NO. PUC-2002-00230

WILLIAMS COMMUNICATIONS OF VIRGINIA, INC.

For approval of the transfer of ownership of Williams Communications, LLC, from Williams Communications Group, Inc., to WilTel Communications Group, Inc.

ORDER EXTENDING TIME FOR REVIEW

On December 11, 2002, Williams Communications of Virginia, Inc. ("Williams Virginia"), filed a petition with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") requesting approval, pursuant to § 56-88.1 of the Code of Virginia ("Virginia Code"), of the transfer of ownership of Williams Virginia's sole shareholder, Williams Communications, LLC, from Williams Communications Group, Inc., to WilTel Communications Group, Inc.

Pursuant to § 56-88.1 of the Virginia Code, the Commission must act on the petition within sixty days of the filing of the petition, or the petition will be deemed approved. In addition, § 56-88.1 allows the Commission to extend the sixty-day period for a period "not to exceed an additional 120 days."

We note that the issues involved in the petition will require additional time for review. As such, we are of the opinion that sixty days is not sufficient time in which to investigate fully matters associated with the above-referenced petition. Therefore, it is appropriate to extend the period for review of issues under Virginia Code § 56-88.1 for a period of sixty days from the original sixty–day time period, or through April 10, 2003.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT a review of the above-referenced petition governed by Virginia Code § 56-88.1 shall be extended for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days from the original sixty-day time period, or through April 10, 2003.